



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 999

LCO No. 3621

Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Aging

Introduced by:
(AGE)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ADMISSION OF PSYCHIATRIC PATIENTS TO NURSING HOMES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2003*) Notwithstanding any
- 2 provision of the general statutes, no nursing home, as defined in
- 3 section 19a-490 of the general statutes, shall admit any person with a
- 4 primary psychiatric diagnosis.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2003</i>

Statement of Purpose:

To prevent the admission of persons with primary psychiatric diagnosis into nursing home facilities that are unable to provide such persons with needed mental health care.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]